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In re application of:

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For: **ELECTROCHEMICAL SOLID  
PHASE SYNTHESIS**



Art Unit: 1741

Examiner: Smith Hicks, E.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 27, 2000 setting forth a three-month period for response thereby making the due date April 27, 2000. Applicant submits herewith a Petition for Extension of Time for three months thereby extending the due date from April 27, 2000 to July 27, 2000 together with the appropriate extension of time fee of \$435.00 for a small entity pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h). It is believed that no additional fees are due in order to maintain the pendency of the application. However, if any additional fees are due, please charge them to Howrey Simon Arnold & White's Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-9 and 11-51 are pending in the present application. The Examiner rejects all of the pending claims under either 35 U.S.C. §102, §103 or under §101 based upon double patenting. Applicant respectfully traverses all of the rejections.